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Claims 21, 23 and 30 have been rejoined.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: upon further consideration, the examiner agrees that the applied art does not disclose, in the closed position of the clasp, the electric connector being protected by bellows which are slightly compressed against a sleeve fixed to the end of the wristband strand including the electric connector, nor apertures being provided on the length of the strand in order to adapt the size of the strand for a user and to allow fixing of the electroconnector, in combination with the rest of the subject matter of the respective independent claim.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gary Paumen whose telephone number is 571-272-2013. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5 M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Paula Bradley can be reached on 571-272-2001. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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